

State of North Carolina
Washington County

To the General the Honourable
Assembly of the State of North Carolina in
Session for the year 1827.

The Petition of Mary Turner
wife of Henry A. Turner of the County of
Washington and State of North Carolina
humbly complaining sheweth unto your Hon-
ourable Body, that about the month of March
in the year of our Lord 1817 your Petitioner
entered into a certain Henry A. Turner
of the County and State aforesaid, with whom
your Petitioner anticipated much connubial
happiness, but in that anticipation your Petitioner's
hopes were soon blighted, for in a short time
after marriage, without cause on the part of
your Petitioner the said Turner became peevish
fretful and perverse in temper towards your
Petitioner, and with all dispestitid and habit-
ually intoxicated and totally regardless of his
part of the duties of a husband to a wife and
~~two~~ children who constitute the whole of his Family
who are without a home and without any
property of any kind except the cloths they
wear, and the daily support acquired by the
hard earnings of your Petitioner's labour